

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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for Item P0000828, Outage Management)
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STIPULATED PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 21323

Filed August 27, 2004

At 10:00 o'clock A.M.

Karen Higzel.
Chief Clerk of the Commission

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Applicant Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO") and the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (the "Consumer Advocate") hereby stipulate that the attached Stipulated Procedural Order is mutually acceptable to each respective party.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, August 13, 2004.



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On May 28, 2004, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO") filed an application for Commission authorization to defer certain computer software developments costs for the Outage Management System ("OMS") project, to accumulate an allowance for funds used during construction ("AFUDC") during the deferral period, to amortize the deferred costs (including AFUDC) over a 10-year period (or such other amortization period the Commission finds reasonable), and to include the unamortized deferred costs (including AFUDC) in the rate base. HECO served copies of the application on the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (the "Consumer Advocate" or "CA").

By Order No. 21123, filed July 16, 2004, the Commission directed HECO and the

Consumer Advocate to submit a stipulated procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration and approval by August 16, 2004 (30 days from the date of Order No. 21123).¹

HECO and the Consumer Advocate have reached agreement on procedural matters and submit this Stipulated Procedural Order to the Commission, which is acceptable to the parties.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that the following Schedule of Proceedings and procedures shall be utilized in this docket.

I.

STATEMENT OF THE ISSUES

The issues in this docket are:

1. Is HECO's proposed action to implement the Outage Management System project reasonable?
2. Is the proposed accounting treatment of OMS project costs reasonable?

II.

SCHEDULE OF PROCEEDINGS

HECO Application for Outage Management System	May 16, 2004
CA Information Requests ("IRs") to HECO ²	August 30, 2004

¹ Thirty days from July 16, 2004 is Sunday, August 15, 2004. The next business day is Monday, August 16, 2004.

² Whenever possible, parties will provide copy of documents on diskette upon request.

HECO IR Responses to CA ²	September 20, 2004
CA Supplemental IRs (“SIRs”) ² , if necessary	October 12, 2004
HECO Responses to SIRs ²	October 26, 2004
CA Statement of Position (“SOP”)	November 16, 2004
HECO SOP, if necessary*	December 3, 2004

- * If the CA objects to approval of the application, or requests that approval be subject to conditions.

If there are substantial disagreements following the filing of the SOPs, and the parties cannot resolve the differences by stipulation and the parties do not waive the right to a hearing, the parties shall propose a hearing schedule (including the filing of simultaneous post-hearing briefs) for Commission approval.

If HECO determines that a Reply SOP is unnecessary, HECO and the CA will notify the Commission that the proceeding is ready for decision making.

III.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS TO FACILITATE AND EXPEDITE THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THESE PROCEEDINGS

A. Requests for Information

To the extent practical, HECO and the Consumer Advocate will cooperate (1) by exchanging information requests and responses as they become available, and (2) by resolving questions regarding information requests and responses informally to attempt to work out problems with respect to understanding the scope or meaning of information

requests, or with respect to the availability of information. If a party is unable to provide the information requested within the prescribed time period, it should so indicate to the inquiring party as soon as possible. The parties shall then endeavor to agree upon a later date for submission of the requested information.

In lieu of responses to information requests that would require the reproduction of voluminous documents or materials, the documents or materials may be made available for reasonable inspection and copying at a mutually agreeable designated location and time. In the event such information is available on computer diskette or other readily usable electronic medium, the party responding to the information request may make the diskette or such electronic medium available to the other party and the Commission.

A party shall not be required, in a response to an information request, to provide data that are already on file with the Commission or otherwise part of the public record, or that may be stipulated to pursuant to Part B, infra. The responding party shall, in lieu of production of a document in the public record, include in its response to the information request an identification of the document with reasonable specificity sufficient to enable the requesting party to locate and copy the document. In addition, a party shall not be required, in a response to an information request, to make computations, compute ratios, reclassify, trend, calculate, or otherwise rework data contained in its files or records.

A party may object to responding to an information request that it deems to be irrelevant, immaterial, unduly burdensome, onerous or repetitious, or where the response

contains information claimed to be privileged or subject to protection (confidential information). If a party claims that information requested is confidential, and withholds production of all or a portion of such confidential information, the party shall: (1) provide information reasonably sufficient to identify the confidential information withheld from the response, without disclosing privileged or protected information; (2) state the basis for withholding the confidential information (including, but not limited to, the specific privilege applicable or protection claimed for the confidential information and the specific harm that would befall the party if the information were disclosed); and (3) state whether the party is willing to provide the confidential information pursuant to a protective order governing this docket.

A party seeking production of documents notwithstanding a party's claim of confidentiality, may file a motion to compel production with the Commission.

B. Matters of Public Record

In order to provide a means to reduce unnecessary reproduction of documents and to facilitate these proceedings, identified matters of public record, such as reports that HECO has filed with the Commission, published decisions of this or other Commissions, published scientific or economic statistical data, material and textbooks, technical or industry journals relating to electric utility matters, and specified parts of the record in previous Commission dockets shall be admissible in this proceeding without the necessity of reproducing each document; provided that the document to be admitted is clearly identified by reference to the place of publication, file or docket number, and the

identified document is available for inspection by the Commission and the parties; and further provided that any party has the right to explain, qualify or conduct examination with respect to the identified document. The Commission can rule on whether the identified document can be admitted into evidence when a party proffers such document for admission as evidence in this case.

From time to time, the parties may enter into stipulations that such documents, or any portion of such documents, may be introduced into evidence in this case.

C. Copies of Filings and Information Requests.

1. Filings:

Commission	Original + 8 copies
HECO	2 copies
Consumer Advocate	2 copies

2. Information Requests and Responses:

Commission	Original + 8 copies
HECO	2 copies
Consumer Advocate	2 copies

3. All pleadings, and other documents required to be filed with the Commission shall be filed at the office of the Commission in Honolulu within the time limit prescribed pursuant to Chapter 61, subchapter 2, section 6-61-15 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

4. Copies of all filings, information requests and information request responses should be sent to the other parties by hand delivery or via facsimile. In addition, if available, all parties shall provide copies of their filings, information requests

and information request responses to the other parties via diskette or e-mail in a standard electronic format that is readily available by the parties. The parties agree to use Word 97 or Word 2000 as the standard programming format for filings in this case. However, if workpapers, documentation, or exhibits attached to any filing are not readily available in an electronic format, a party shall not be required to convert such workpapers, documentation, or exhibits into an electronic format. Also, existing documents produced in response to requests need not be converted to Word 97/Word 2000 as long as the applicable format is identified. In the event a copy of a filing, information request or information request response is delivered to a party via diskette or e-mail, unless otherwise agreed to by such party, the same number of copies of such filing, information request or information request response must still be delivered to such party by hand delivery or via facsimile as provided in Parts C.1 and C.2 above.

D. Communications

Chapter 61, subchapter 3, section 6-61-29 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure concerning ex parte communications is applicable to any communications between a party and the Commission. However, the parties may communicate with Commission counsel on matters of practice and procedure through their own counsel or designated official.

Communications between the parties should either be through counsel or through designated representatives. All pleadings, papers, and other documents filed in this proceeding shall be served on the opposing party. All motions, supporting memoranda,

and the like shall also be served on opposing counsel.


E. General

These procedures are consistent with the orderly conduct of this docket.

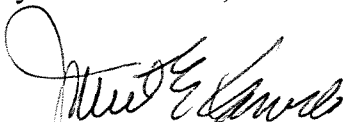
Pursuant to Chapter 61, subchapter 3, section 6-61-37 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, this Stipulated Procedural Order shall control the subsequent courses of the proceedings, unless modified at or prior to the hearings to prevent manifest injustice.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii, this 27th day of August, 2004.

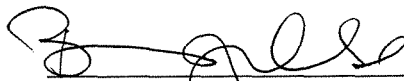
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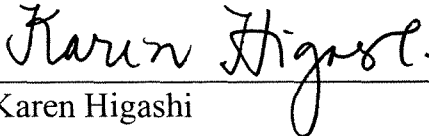
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Stipulated Procedural Order No. 21323 upon the following parties and participant, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party or participant.

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